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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein, mailed 21 December 2004, time for response to which was set to expire 21 March 2005. A petition for extension of time of one month until 21 April 2005, is attached hereto, along with the required fee. The considered claims, claims 1-2, 4-6, 14 and 18, were rejected. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.